

ASQUITH'S AFFAIRS CAUSE MUCH BUZZ

Name of Maud Allen, Peerage and Separation Mingled in London Gossip.

DENIAL MADE BY DANCER

Cables From America She Knew Family but Casually, but Dancing Lessons to Mrs. Asquith Are Admitted.

LONDON, March 20.—(Special.)—Although it has been denied from America, it has been rumored and rumored again that Maud Allen, the famous barefoot dancer, who had a great vogue in British society last Fall, has had more or less to do with the Asquiths and their family troubles.

PREMIER OF ENGLAND AND HIS WIFE, SAID TO BE ABOUT TO SEPARATE, AND FAMOUS DANCER MENTIONED IN CONNECTION.



MAUD ALLEN.

Asquith Troubles Common Gossip.

Talk about the Asquiths and their family differences has reached the stage, where it is more than gossip and has become the favorite topic at afternoon teas.

The troubles of the family, individually and collectively, have furnished much food for conversation, first and last, Mrs. Asquith in particular, always had a mind of her own and has not been afraid to use it.

It is an open secret that a "judicial separation" will be sought by the Premier and his wife, but the date of that episode is a puzzle.

Asquith to Become Peer?

A well-defined rumor has it that Mr. Asquith is to be made a peer, but the date of that is also uncertain. This rumor was spread before the unfortunate day when the Premier, after finishing for the day, went to the King to demand pledges of the appointment of a sufficient number of peers to keep the majority in government safe.

The well-known attitude of the monarch toward the Premier has given rise to the opinion that the raising of Mr. Asquith to the peerage may be indefinitely delayed if a separation should occur in the family.

Mrs. Asquith has always been ambitious, and it is believed that she will be gained by waiting, the separation may be indefinitely postponed.

MAYBRAY GANG IS GUILTY

largely due to the character of a trunk found in Maybray's home when he was arrested. This trunk, it was ascertained, contained a complete documentary record of the transactions of the combination for four years.

Go-Home Number 200.

A loose leaf of the pocket ledger was one of the documents thus secured. It contained the names and addresses of more than 200 persons who had acted as go-between in various transactions. They lived in nearly every state in the Union.

There were 14 branches in various parts of the country, all operated from one city. The headquarters were moved from time to time, as the leaders came under surveillance of the authorities. Foot-racing, prizefighting, wrestling, horse-racing and wire-tapping were the specialties offered victims on which to make "easy money."

The victim usually was first approached by an actual friend, who had been solicited by a regular "steerer," as he was known. In most instances the representations were made that the "steerer" had a cousin who was secretary to a couple of men of great wealth, who were traveling over the country for pleasure. The victim was told that this "secretary" was angry at some alleged ill-treatment and had undertaken to vindicate his employer out of a large sum of money. The victim was invited to assist and, when he accepted, was in turn swindled on a sporting event which proved to be "fixed" against him instead of in his favor.

"SAM" WINGATE GETS "30"

Old-Time Telegrapher Dead After Six Months' Illness.

Samuel W. Wingate, aged 49, living at 23 Montgomery street, died last night at 9 o'clock from a heart failure. For 20 years up to six months ago Mr. Wingate had been a telegraph operator in the local Western Union office, and during the past few years had been night chief operator.

DOUBLE WRECK ON ROAD

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and Coroner Folsom rushed to the scene. He held inquest over the remains of the victims and brought them back to Pendleton.

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While the wreck is one of the most complete in the history of the road, and while it is impossible to lay a temporary track around on either side,



Herbert Asquith.

Margaret Tennant Asquith.

CRISIS IS REACHED

Strike of Firemen Now Seems Very Probable.

NEGOTIATIONS NO AVAIL

Both Sides Make Preparations to Carry on Bitter Fight—Roads Are Between Firemen and Engineers, Choose Lesser Evil.

CHICAGO, March 20.—(Special.)—A crisis has been reached in the controversy between the railroads and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, and hope of a peaceful adjustment practically has been abandoned.

The Federal mediators, who have been holding continuous conferences with the general managers and the representatives of the firemen, are said to have given up hopes of getting the contending parties together. Chairman Knapp, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, left for Washington Saturday night, leaving Labor Commissioner Neill in charge of the mediation conferences.

The firemen insist on having the railroads recognize their right to legislate for engineers and if the managers yield, they will have to face a strike of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. As between the two alternatives, the managers are said to have concluded that it is better to fight the firemen than the engineers.

About 25,000 men are involved on 49 railroad systems west of Chicago. Of that number it is said that 6000 are engineers, though they still retain their membership in the firemen's organization. The jurisdictional troubles between the two organizations have existed for a number of years and caused a strike of the firemen on the Southern Pacific Railroad three years ago.

The difficulty at that time was settled to the advantage of the engineers, and the firemen have since been looking for an opportunity to force the railroads to recognize their claims.

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FAIR ONES VISIT SHUT-IN MODELS

Annapolis Cadets Punished for Snubbing Superior Meet Young Women at Gate.

ONLY LENT HOP ALLURES

Sweethearts Throng Chapel From Morning Until Rollcall to Get Around Superintendent's Sentence—Young Admirals Firm.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., March 20.—(Special.)—Members of the brigade of midsaltpmen, who, by order of Superintendent Boyer, are confined to the limits of the Naval Academy until further notice for having treated the officer in charge, Lieutenant Wallace Berthier, to a "silence" Friday evening, found loyal friends today in their young women acquaintances who thronged the academy chapel this morning until evening roll call.

The social code of Annapolis is quite elastic enough to deal with a situation of this kind. There has never been a time when the midsaltpmen could not go to the fair one that it did not appear the right thing for the young women to go to the midsaltpmen.

The old town is full of fair young women who came to Annapolis yesterday to attend the ball, the only one allowed the midsaltpmen during Lent. All throughout the morning messenger boys were busy carrying notes from midsaltpmen explaining that they could not come out in town, but would meet their companions at the main gate. So all throughout the early evening that vicinity was crowded with midsaltpmen waiting to keep their appointments. After the hop midsaltpmen had to take their leave at the same point.

MEDFORD GIVES GREETING

Puget Sound Excursionists Stop 20 Minutes in Oregon Town.

MEDFORD, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—The Puget Sound excursionists on their way to California, were met at Grants Pass by the president of the Medford Commercial Club, and their train was detained at Medford for 20 minutes, where over 300 people were at the depot to welcome them, distributing among the travelers Southern Oregon apples and pears.

Judge Colvig gave a short address, which was responded to by one of the boosters of Tacoma. The day was beautiful and the excursionists were enthusiastic over their trip through the state.

ASHLAND STAY IS PROLONGED

Puget Sound Excursionists Like City and Extend Visit.

ASHLAND, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—Scheduled to stop 20 minutes here, the special train of Puget Sound excursionists en route to California lingered in Ashland for a full hour shortly after noon today, while the travelers were taken for

Let Thompson fit your glasses



The London Daily Mail; The New York Times; The Chicago Tribune; May 14, '08, says: "R. A. Thompson, an American optician, was called upon while in Berlin to deliver several lectures on the eye to students of both German and American nationality. Eminent German authorities have declared his system of eye testing a great aid to scientists."

The British Optician, London, May 25, '08, says: "By the Thompson system of fitting glasses a mistake is possible."

The London Science Shiftings (the Scientific American of Europe), June 6, '08, says: "A number of prominent oculists were greatly astonished last evening at the remarkable skill of R. A. Thompson in fitting eyes."

The Figaro, Paris, June 16, '08, says: "R. A. Thompson, an American optician, astonished the medical world last evening with an important discovery for right testing."

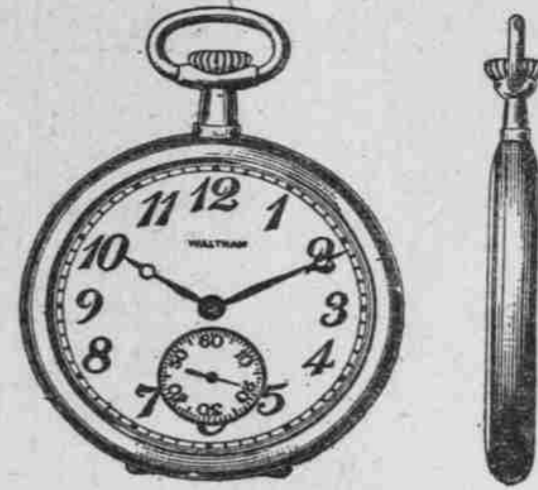
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HISTORIC BUILDING SOLD

Will Become Blacksmith Shop.

THE DALLES, Or., March 20.—(Special.)—The old City Hall, which was also the first County Courthouse, has been sold to a blacksmith to be used as a shop.

This building is of historical interest—an interest which extends beyond this immediate vicinity, as it was built and used for a county courthouse when Wasco County extended from Idaho to the Cascades, and has marked progress in The Dalles since its foundations

M'MASTER KISSES BRIDE

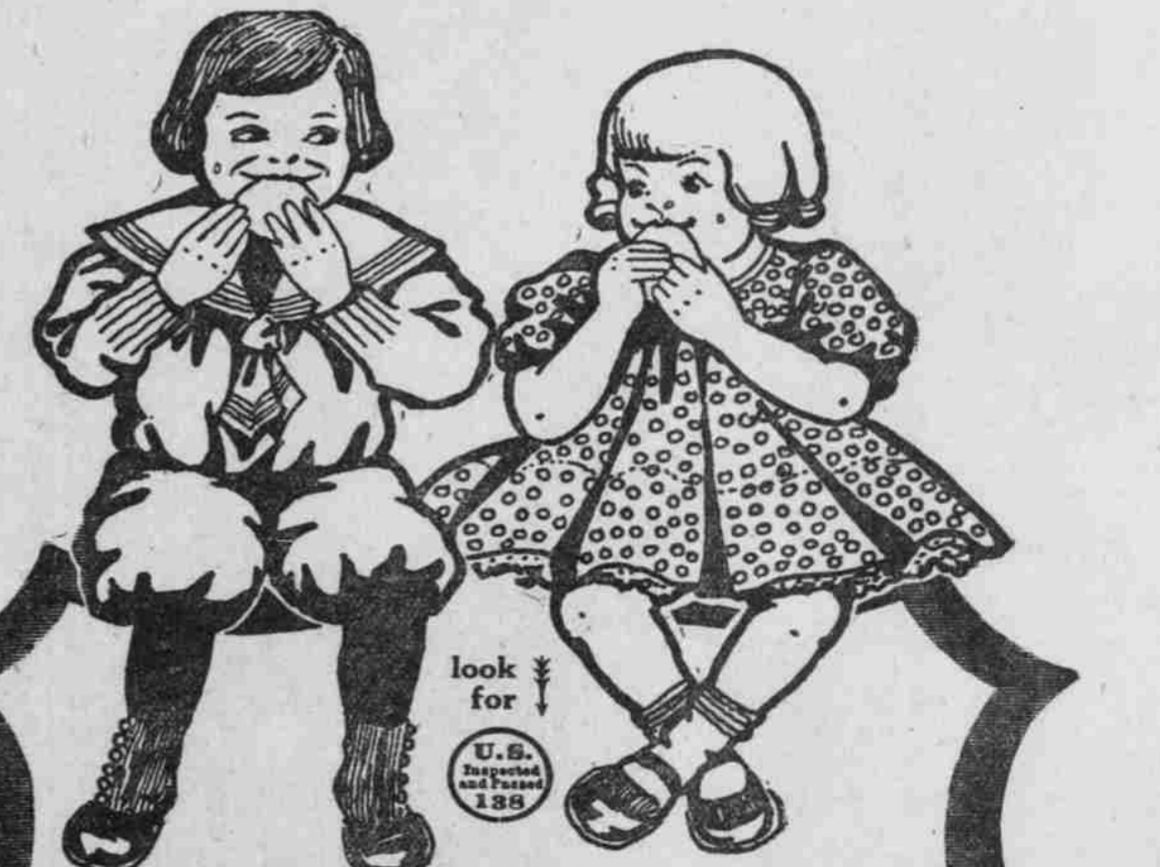
Gallant Vancouver Judge Finds Beauty Irresistible.

YANCOUVER, Wash., March 20.—(Special.)—Judge Donald McMaster kissed the bride yesterday afternoon, after marrying

the couple in his chambers at the courthouse. "She looked so pretty I could not resist the temptation," he said. The bride, 20 years old, was Miss Stringham. She was married to Louis F. Peters. Both are of Kelso, Wash.

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